

House Resolution 787

By: Representatives Brooks of the 63rd, Lucas of the 139th, Smyre of the 132nd, Holmes of the 61st, Beasley-Teague of the 65th, and Abdul-Salaam of the 74th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of Ms. Yvonne Ingram-Ephraim; and for other purposes
- 2 WHEREAS, it is with the deepest sorrow that we note the passing of our beloved sister,
3 Ms. Yvonne Ingram-Ephraim, the wife and partner in ministry of Pastor Rev. Michael G.
4 Ephraim, Sr., of the Sixth Episcopal District, Augusta Georgia Conference, Wrens-Vidalia
5 District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, the Lofton Circuit A.M.E. Church
6 Family; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she lived her life for her Lord and Savior and for her fellows, and she once
8 stated that her goal was to utilize her skills and abilities in order to perform all tasks with
9 professionalism and efficiency so as to result in a positive and productive outcome; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she was actively involved in the civic, religious, and charitable affairs of her
11 community and gave unstintingly and unceasingly of her time, talents, and energy to improve
12 the quality of life in her community; and
- 13 WHEREAS, her public service included service as councilwoman and mayor pro tempore
14 of the City of Sparta, and as an educator; and
- 15 WHEREAS, she also worked as an apprentice mortician, giving comfort to those in their
16 time of need; and
- 17 WHEREAS, she was a member of the Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials and
18 served that organization as assistant secretary and secretary, and she was a member of the
19 National League of Cities, the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials. the
20 National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Southern Christian
21 Leadership Conference, the National Rainbow Push Coalition, and the Georgia Association
22 of Educators and the National Education Association; and

1 WHEREAS, her unparalleled organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable patience
2 and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens
3 of her community earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

4 WHEREAS, her passing leaves an unfillable void in the community, as she will be sorely
5 missed by all who knew and loved her.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
7 the members of this body express regret at the passing of Ms. Yvonne Ingram-Ephraim and
8 extend condolences to her loving family.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Ms. Yvonne
11 Ingram-Ephraim.